

TO: Nebraska pharmacies

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RE: pharmacy technician registration for facilities that employ pharmacy technicians

NOTE: All pharmacy technician registrations expire January 1 of each odd year.

The Department checks the names of technicians employed at each facility against the technician registration records we have on file. When filling out your yearly self-inspection (PQAR), remember to supply a complete list of technicians, in addition to the pharmacists and interns, along with the appropriate license and registration numbers.

When completing the list of pharmacy personnel, if you are unable to supply a registration number for a technician, please list their name and note a reason why a registration number was not supplied.

Pharmacy technicians have 30 days from the date of hire to send in an application for registration in order to continue to work in the pharmacy as a technician. If you have a new hire that has not been registered, please supply the date of hire along with the explanation that they are a new hire. Technician applications and application information are available on-line at:

<http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/crl/medical/pharm/Pharmtech/pharmtech.htm>

Please check the registration status of all technicians at your facility to ensure that you are in compliance by employing only properly registered technicians. This is part of the compliance for #33 on your yearly PQAR: "All requirements and documentation are met for the utilization of pharmacy technicians". You may check the status of your technician registrations by asking them to supply you with a current copy of their registration or by checking if they show as registered at the on-line verification web site:

<http://www.nebraska.gov/LISSearch/search.cgi>

If your technicians can not supply you with a copy of their current registration, and/or you have been unsuccessful at finding registration information through our on-line verification web site, or if your technicians state that they have sent in an application more than 150 days ago, please contact me at (402) 471-2118 in order to check on the status of the application before allowing them to work as technicians in the pharmacy.